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### *A STRANGE SPECTACLE.*

In his letter to the writer, extracts from which we published on Wednesday, Senator Jones said: "I believe that our success in 1900 depends upon the accomplishment of the programme therein [that is in the three co-operative addresses] marked out." "*I see no hope of success in 1900 except through the co-operation of all believers in bi-metallism.*" "I hope that the good people of North Carolina are aroused to *the necessity of this course.*" "Dissensions and divisions there [North Carolina] will not be confined in their bad effects to that State, but the influence would be felt in other localities *where the greatest harm* would result." "It *is necessary* to bring all our people together as heartily and earnestly as possible in every State in the Union, if we hope to succeed in the contest in 1900."

These are the words of the official head of the Democratic party, and he winds up his letter with an urgent request for information as to "the prospects of *complete co-operation* in your State." Yet those in this State who have been loyally endeavoring to do their duty to the Democratic party as they see it and as it is now approved by the highest authority known to the party, have been assailed with all manner of evil speech by newspapers that ridicule Chairman Jones and Mr. Bryan and praise Mr. Cleveland—Cleveland, who was solemnly declared by the Chicago Convention to be unworthy of confidence!

Do these Cleveland and Palmer and Buckner papers receive rebuke at the hands of the rest of the press in North Carolina? Nay, verily. On the contrary, what we may call the neutral press—that is, those papers which declare that they wish to see silver win in State and nation and yet oppose the only practicable method by which that end may be attained—fills its columns with praise of the head "Utlander."

Again: this "Utlander" quotes in favor of its own position the alleged sayings of the late Democratic candidate for Governor of North Carolina and of the late District attorney for North Carolina, and yet not one word in rebuke has been uttered by any one, except the two or three papers injured by those allegations.

Why, the whole machinery of the Democratic party should be put in motion to defend the loyal papers that have been set upon for their loyalty and to rebuke the disloyal papers that have assailed them. Instead, the whole machinery of the party in North Carolina seems to be employed for the contrary purpose.

What chance is there of carrying North Carolina for decent government or anything else by a party so conditioned? The first duty of an organization is to obey the duly constituted authorities. The national organization is the duly constituted supreme authority.

The Democratic organization in North Carolina is at present in open revolt.

### *AN OBJECT LESSON.*

The State of North Carolina contains a large majority of people who hold the views entertained by Mr. Kitchen, the very able and patriotic member from the fifth district. How many colleagues have they given him of like views? Not one. He stands alone in Congress, the only Democrat from North Carolina out of the nine members to whom the State is entitled. His election in the place of his predecessor, Mr. Settle, was the result of the co-operation of the two wings of Vance's Democracy in that district, the silver Democrats and the silver Populists.

Take Oregon in 1896, for another example. In the 1st Congressional district, the following vote was cast: Republican, 19.355; Populist, 19,296; Democratic, 7,914. The Republican was elected by 59 plurality over the Populist with nearly 8,000 Democratic votes thrown away. Or, stated another way, 19 355 Republican votes prevailed again: 27,210, not counting 1,356 Prohibitionists.

In the 2nd district of the same State, the vote was: Republican, 12,617; Populist. 12 239; Independent Republican, 8.807; Democratic, 7,099. The Republican was elected by a plurality of 378, with 15,906 Democratic and Independent Republican votes thrown away. Or, 12,617 Republicans elected a Congressman over 28,145 opposition.

In a letter to the writer from a distinguished Democrat, it is asked "Can men do such things who wish really to defeat the Republicans? Would it not rather seem that Mr. Cleveland's plan as written to his Pennsylvania friends, that they should give 'patriotic and consistent support to any plan which insures this result' is being followed?"

Well may we ask: Is this Mr. Cleveland's game which we see being played so successfully now in North Carolina, and are his henchmen carrying out his will here? Is it this that accounts for so many of the unaccountable things which now daily confront us in this State?

**Mill Grove Destroyed.**

Mill Grove, the old McNeill homestead in Harnett county, was destroyed by fire Friday afternoon, with all the furniture and personal effects.

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### *HOW THE GAME IS BEING WORKED.*

The other day we published the following:—

**Sounds Just Like 1894—Ransom and Kope Elias.**

From the Raleigh News and Observer March 2.

"Fusion Means Defeat."—Kope Elias says the Democracy of the West is in Fine Shape.

Kope Elias sees victory perched upon the banner of the Democrats next fall, providing there is no trading with Populists.

"We are alright in the West," he said yesterday. "We are in splendid shape politically.

"If there is no fusion between the Democrats and Populists we will carry the State next November like a cyclone. If there is fusion, we will lose it. That is the sentiment in the west and I've found about the same opinion prevailing here in the center of the State.

"With fusion we will lose the election by 25,000 votes; without it we will win by an even greater majority. We want a clear-cut, distinctive Democratic fight.

"The leading men in the Democratic party in the West will not even go to the polls on election day if there is fusion; without it they will spend time, money and energy in securing success for their party.

"Of course we are glad to have all who believe, like us, that the true issue in North Carolina is good, honest government, economically administered, to join with us, but they must do so as Democrats. The fight must be a straight one from the shoulder."

Mr. Elias has been prominent in politics for many years and he is a close observer of men and affairs. He expresses the belief that the time is ripe for an overthrow of the gang that has misruled the State for the past year. He apprehends that Gov. Russell has so divided his party as that it will be nigh impossible for them to heal all the soreheads in it before the end of the next campaign. Then there is not the harmony in the Populist camp that once prevailed when the question of Republican fusion was mentioned.

Mr. Elias arrived here Sunday night and left yesterday morning to spend a few days with ex-Senator Ransom on his farm in Northampton county.

Raleigh correspondent March 2, Newbern Journal, Palmer and Buckner.

Hon. Kope Elias, of Macon county, says that if there is no fusion between Democrats and Populists that the State will go democratic in November. It is really refreshing to hear a leading man in the State announce: "We want a clean-cut, distinctive Democratic fight. The fight must be a straight one from the shoulder." He declares the leading Democrats in the west will not go to the polls if there is fusion.

These declarations of Mr. Elias, especially as he was then on his way to visit ex-Senator Ransom, appear to have given great encouragement to the mugwumps and to have administered a corresponding fright to some of the weak-kneed brethren not of the mugwump faith.

Here is an echo from the national capital, which we find in the Washington Star of Monday, a leading paper there, which though professedly independent, is a strong Republican sheet:—

(Washington, D. C., Star, March 21.)

**COMBINE'S ALLEGED BREAK**

Reported Hitch in the Coalition of the Silver Men—Renewed Hopefulness of Carrying Next Fall's Congressional Elections Raised Among the Republicans.

While the public mind has been engrossed with the Cuban situation, politics being forgotten, there have been some political developments entirely on the outside of international questions which have apparently greatly encouraged the republicans and revived in them a confidence that they are going to carry the elections next fall and have the control of both the House and Senate during the last two years of President McKinley's administration. This hopefulness is based on the declaration that the co operation of the silver forces—democrats, silver republicans and populists—which has been so much talked of, and which was supposed to have been assured at conferences held between representatives of these parties some time ago, is about to fail. It is not made quite clear upon what this assumption is grounded, but apparently they are satisfied with their information and are pleased with the situation that has developed. It is asserted that the populists and silver republicans are about to break with the democrats on account of a discovery that the latter are not willing to "tote fair" with them. It was announced some time ago that an agreement had been reached between the three silver parties that neither would try to take from the other seats held by it in the present Congress, and that in the contest for the next Congress local conditions should determine which party was entitled to the candidate in districts not now held by either of the silver parties, and that the national organizations should not sanction the presence of two silver candidates in the field. The information of republicans is that the democrats are charged by their allies with trying a hocus pocus game at the very outset, aiming to get from the silver republicans and populists as many as possible of the seats now held by those two parties in the House and Senate. It is asserted that if this has not already led to a dissolution of the alliance, it is sure to do so, and that the populists and silver republicans will co-operate without the democrats. If this is true, it is regarded as assuring republican success both at the next congressional election and at the presidential election in 1900.

It is said that the democrats, while agreeing in their national organization to a thorough co operation, either encourage or at least do not interfere to prevent democrats in districts or states where the allies are entitled to representatives or senators from putting up candidates against their allies, and thus dividing the vote to the detriment of both. In other words, having got their allies into camp, the democrats are bent upon stripping them of their fine raiment and turning them into naked camp followers, to draw water and haul wood. This is expected to lead to a war among the "allied forces," which will be mutually destructive and insure republican success all along the line. The republicans do not believe that the populist and silver republican leaders will submit to this sort of treatment, but even if they do they cannot make their followers ally themselves with a party which has not been able to protect the leaders, and the republicans are confident of a success, no matter how submissive the leaders of the allies may prove. What is expected, however, is that the silver republicans and populists will co operate, leaving the democrats to get along the best they can without their assistance. The situation is regarded as the most serious the democrats have had to deal with.

A Star reporter asked a prominent democrat of the House today if the statement was true that there was such a difference between the allies, and his reply was confirmatory, though he defended the course of the democrats.

There we have it. Let Democrats thoroughly digest this refreshing bit of information in connection with Mr. Kope Elias's performance.

Let them also contemplate the fact that the Democratic party of North Carolina, so far as a majority of its press is concerned, is to-day in a state of open revolt. Even those leading papers which, the day after the Committee's meeting, endorsed the Jones resolution, appear to have succumbed to some unaccountable reactionary influence.

Is it possible that any considerable body of Democrats can be misled by the clamor of the McKinley "Democrats" and their stupid allies among those newspapers which supported Mr. Bryan in 1896, into falling into the trap set for them by their bitterest enemies? We cannot believe it. We are sure they will not suffer themselves to be so disposed of when they realize the situation.

It is lamentably true that the great majority of the press of the State is opposing, with all its might and main, the policy so urgently laid down by Chairman Jones and his national committee and unanimously endorsed by Chairman (Senator) White and his congressional committee. But so they were, in even greater numbers, opposing with bitter speech and unseemly invectives the immortal Vance when the same Messrs. Ransom and Kope Elias were standing at their backs in 1893. Yet Vance's doctrine, as Vance's self, so accursed then, is the accepted Democratic faith, as he the idol, of Democracy to-day.

Let his memory wake those silent masses he loved so well and stir their sluggish selfishness, as of old, when he pointed out their duty to themselves, their homes and families.

It is but two months to the Convention time. But those who remember the attitude of this strange people the day before Lincoln's proclamation, and recall the impetuousness with which they hurled their invincible legions across the border a few days after, need not be told of what potent celerity this sleeping giant is capable when aroused.

**Don't Want Fusion.**

Salisbury Sun.]

The Raleigh correspondent of the Charlotte Observer says in this morning's paper:

"A Populist said to day (yesterday) that Senator Butler wants Congressional fusion, but does not want it nearly as bad as National Democratic Chairman Jones does."

It will be observed by this that some of the Populist people as well as many of the democratic people construed National Chairman Jones' address to indicate his desire for Democratic Populist fusion. However, it is to be observed again, and with a considerable degree of satisfaction, that the Democratic State Executive committee have disclaimed this idea of the address, as has already been stated in these columns.

Hon. Theodore F. Kluttz's interview, published in the Sun, is conclusive that the address was not understood to mean fusion. Mr. Kluttz is one of the State Executive committee, was present at the committee's meeting February 22d, and should know, if anybody does, the feeling and opinion that prevailed among the committee at that time.

The Democrats of the State, it is quite evident, do not want fusion of any kind.

[We shall not believe that Mr. Kluttz failed to point out to the reporter the real ground upon which the Jones resolution was adopted until he says so over his own signature.—OBSERVER.]

**A Queer State of Affairs.**

Wilmington Messenger, March 15.]

While practically the democratic newspapers of North Carolina are agreed as to there being no fusion or dickering in the campaign of 1898, there is no little difference—of a fundamental character at that—as to principles. There are protection democratic (?) newspapers, unless we are mistaken. But more curious still, while there are fully 90 per cent. of the democrats in favor of bimetallism—of the money of Washington and Jefferson, silver and gold of equal validity and worth, made so by the stamp of the United States government—we think it probable that one-half of the democratic newspapers are for gold only—monometallism.

We have never known the number of gold papers, but in the campaign of 1896, and before, they were numerous and aggressive, and so far as we are informed, "are of the same opinion still." It is singular that a great silver party should be represented by such a strong array of gold papers in opposition to its chief contention and principle now. We would like to see perfect harmony in the state election, but in the presidential election in 1900 the division on currency bodes no good to democracy.

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### A "Straight Fight."

Jonesboro P. ogress.

By all means let's have a "straight fight" this year, and let that fight be among people who profess the same creed, have the same interests, are subject to the same afflictions, suffering under the same distress, threatened with the same dangers, and having just one common way of escape. There's nothing like a "straight fight" to whoop up enthusiasm, fill the air with hurrahs, and come out whipped. There's glory in it The Democratic party is out for glory this year, just glory and pluck. We don't want any offices, we are joking about wishing to get hold of any part of the administration, we are willing for the ship of state to founder about in the same old rotten sea, if we can only have the glory of making a "straight fight." We know that the present condition is a disgrace, but we are not willing for it to be remedied unless we can do it all. We are willing that the State may be the laughing stock of the whole world rather than by co-operation restore our credit and save our institutions. We've got blood in our eye and want a fight, a straight one. We've got our bristles up and we've got to fight—fight the Radicals, fight the Populists, fight the devil, and fight each other. Let it be known that we've got a Democratic shibboleth this time and that shibboleth is a "straight fight." If any deluded follower of Butler gets into our camp this year he will do it at the end of a "straight fight," and over our fallen bodies. If any man suggests any other course, if any poltroon, dead to a sense of his party's pride, offers to dicker, deal, trade, swap, fuse, combine, wink, squint, flirt or co-operate with the Populists, out he goes at the toe of our royal brogans. There's not a paper published in North Carolina that has not a commission, from the Almighty knows where, to read other papers and other men out of the party.

One half the men who are "out of the camp" to-day have been "read out" by these far-seeing papers. One-half the men who are now in the party have been read at, read about, read under, read over and read around and remained in—quietly, serenely, contemptuously remained. They are the salt of the party.

But that has nothing to do with a straight fight. Any fight with help in it is a crooked fight. The fight for Bryan last campaign was a regular cork screw. Some people had the sense, the rare sense, the peculiar sense to keep out of it. It was good, radical horse sense. It looked too much like enlisting under the leadership of Butler. Some people fell into the trap. Their present attitude proclaims their abiding sorrow. The crookedness of the fight was too much for their simple souls. They know we outnumber the enemy three to five—three of us and five of them. That leaves us a margin of two, no matter which way the battle turns—and as to that we don't care—but we want it straight, mind you.

We are sick of trades, swaps and combines—if we arn't we're 'most. And it is not surprising; still it's a little paradoxical that we should get the colic when the other fellow ate the mutton. When we bite the dust in ensuing elections, we want it understood we have had a straight fight, and so may our contemporaries admire our pluck, while our children are left to curse our judgment.

**A True Bill.**

Statesville Mascot.]

Grover Cleveland advises the bolters from the Democratic party to make common war with the Republicans upon Democratic principles. This man has been thrice honored by the Democratic party with its nominations and twice elected by it to the highest office in the land. When he was last nominated he wrote to Editor Howell of the Atlanta Constitution, who was one of the silver leaders of the South, that it was the duty of silver Democrats to submit to the "arbitrament of the National convention" and support the nominee. The silver Democrats supported him and rendered his election possible. After a contest, long and bitter, the silver men secured the election of a majority of the delegates to the National convention which assembled in Chicago in 1896. That convention was regularly called and the delegates to it were elected in the time honored way. It was conducted in accordance with the precedents and customs of the fathers of the party. It declared for silver by a great majority and nominated Bryan by more than a two-thirds vote. How do we find Cleveland who was even then enjoying the honor and emoluments of the great office of President of the United States procured for him by the Democratic party? Did he submit to the "arbitrament of the National convention" as he asked silver men to do in 1892 when he was the beneficiary? No! He did everything in his power to defeat Bryan and the party which had heaped honors upon him; a Southern man, Hon. Hoke Smith, was forced to leave his cabinet for announcing his intention to support the nominees of his party; the other members of his cabinet and other high officers of the government were sent all over the country to speak against the candidates and platform of Democracy; government officials were turned out of office for daring to support the party of their fathers. Yet we have a North Carolina newspaper, the Charlotte Observer, which claims the honored name of Democrat, which extols him and claims that he was not a traitor to the Democratic party. While holding an office of trust and profit given him by the Democratic party and while still claiming to be a Democrat, Cleveland gave aid and comfort to the enemy and helped to defeat his party. If that does not constitute party treachery, what does? Cleveland is the Benedict Arnold of the Democratic party and is despised by loyal Democrats as was his revolutionary prototype by our patriotic fathers.

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**RED SPRINGS ITEMS.**

RED SPRINGS, N. C.,
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The Confederate Veterans of Camp Ryan met here the 20th at 11:45 a. m. A. J. McNair of Maxton, President.

Capt. S. J. Cobb, Lumber Bridge, was elected President or commander, and J. L. McLean, Maxton, was re-elected Secretary.

J. D. Croom, M. D., M. G. McKenzie, James McBryde, D. P. McEachern and J. E. Purcell were appointed delegates to Charlotte, May 20th, and A. J. McNair, T. W. McBryde and J. D. Croom, M. D., were appointed delegates to Atlanta, Major Conoly, Capt. W. C. McPhail and Jas. McBryde alternates.

Red Springs was chosen as the place for each annual meeting, and the 1st Saturday in March as the regular time for each meeting. The annual reunion is to be at Lumber Bridge in July or August.

One of the numerous subjects under consideration was The Importance of Proper Histories in Southern Schools. The words *Rebellion, rebels,* etc., in connection with the Civil War are obnoxious to the noble followers of such Christian leaders as Robert E. Lee, "Stonewall" Jackson and others. The people of Charlotte once resented such teaching in their schools.

The Atlanta Constitution thinks that if we have a war with Spain it will unite the North and South more closely and help break down what sectionalism now exists. I heard but little talk about war. Some old Vets. think the North should do the fighting if any is to be done. Chaplain J. D. Moore says that the Lumber Bridge Company is a plucky set, and that Capt. S. J. Cobb is not raising any cotton, but getting ready to whip Spain. Mr. Samuel H. McKinnon of this town is a member of the Maxton Guards.

I noticed in some Confederate Veteran literature that the number of soldiers in the late civil war was 2,865,028 union and 600,000 confederates, but I think they had about 5 to our 1.

Miss Tena McIntosh, Hickory, N. C., has lately been added to the list of teachers in the school of music Red Springs Seminary. She is a niece of Dr. Atkinson and has some experience as a music teacher.

The Seminary will give a concert at Bennettsville March 25. A special train will return that night with those who attend it.

I noticed an article in the Weekly OBSERVER from the Messenger's correspondent who still contends he is right in his views as to dramatic effect in singing, but people who ought to be more competent judges than the able correspondent say he is greatly mistaken.

These old blue stocking Presbyterians would be bitterly opposed to a teacher's training their daughters along that line.

This is a Christian institution, and the girls trained here are expected to return to their churches and help lead in the praise of God, instead of appearing on the stage. I have heard as fine singing as almost any one—prima donnas, actresses, &c., of the United States and Europe, and notwithstanding his classic English, esthetic taste, and higher criticism in the noble art of music, I stick to it that he is mistaken, in this instance at least.

Space torbids further explanations of my position. The correspondent knew I meant no such simplicity as a child's caroling or a bird's warbling. He was only poking fun then.

I again thank him for his many words of high praise, and state that the criticism before was not given as my views but as that of a musician, and I never sought it either. I said that I did not pretend to be a judge, and that I gave it as a difference of opinion.

Our churches are too small to accommodate the large congregations when there is only one service on Sunday morning, so the Elders tendered President Vardell the use of the Presbyterian church, 1st and 3rd Sunday mornings, beginning March 20th, and he had a large audience.

Several from Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey, etc., recently arrived at Hotel Townsend. Two came over from Southern Pines. Phil. E. Bragg is now caterer.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Costen aim to visit a while in Jonesboro and leave today. They will be greatly missed by our people.

James Harris, (col.) was sent to jail for striking his wife with a hoe.

J. T. McNeill and Mr. Parham are getting ready to build—several others are building.

Judge McEachern read a letter from Hon. Kemp P. Battle, LL. D., asking for statistics and general information about high schools ever since 1776. People should aid them in securing such.

The banquet, &c., will be postponed, and the K. of P. will enjoy an official visit from the Grand Chancellor tonight.

LATER—March 23.—Rev. P. R. Law introduced Grand Chancellor R. H. Reckert in a good 5 minute speech last night. Brother Reckert then address ed a large number of ladies and gentlemen for 30 minutes on the principles, history, growth, influence for good—friendship, charity and benevolence—the elevation, happiness and betterment of mankind. Though only 35 years old, the order has grown from 7 to 500,000, 4,000 in North Carolina, and 3 of the original members still in Washington and in New York. I think he made a fine impression on the entire audience. He spoke over an hour in the Lodge instructing the brethren in the work of the order. Others made short talks. Dr. J. S. Betts and John McMillan drove from Maxton to be present. Members of Red Springs, Rowland, Cumberland, Harmony, (S. C.) and Statesville Lodges were present and brotherly love and enthusiasm prevailed.

I hope others will decide to come among us that we may help each other. He highly praised our Lodge.

Mr. Will McNeill marries Mrs. Covington tonight, and the bridal party are expected at 9:35 a. m. tomorrow. Many are invited to the reception.

March 24.—Jim Owen, white, son of J. J. Owen, whose home is said to be in Harnett, or Johnston county, was arrested here yesterday by Deputy Sheriff Barber, and kept in the guard house last night by order of Sheriff J. W. Hall, who will take the prisoner to Ashboro today. Owen is accused of murdering a man in Randolph. I haven't the particulars in the case.

Wm. Love's kitchen caught fire from the stove, the mills blew the alarm of fire, but not much damage was done.

D. R. M.

**SOUTHERN PINES CHIPS.**

The "Moore County Brick Company," will be the style of the firm that bought out the brick business of A. Cameron & Co., of Vass, N. C., last week.

The brick is being placed on the grounds for the new store on Railroad street.

The new trolly car to be used on the road from this place to Pinehurst has arrived and is in use. It is thirty feet long, eight trucks, and has passenger and baggage departments.

Messrs. Ordway and Graham of Aberdeen, have bought the corner lot on Railroad street and Pennsylvania avenue. They will erect a brick building soon and put in a stock of gents furnishing goods.

Messrs. Ordway and Graham have rented the new store house of Mr. T. S. Burgess on Railroad street, which they will use until their new store is completed.

Rev. J. W. Johnson, of Aberdeen, died at his residence on the morning of the 19th. Mr. Johnson was pastor of Bethesda Presbyterian church for about five years. This was his last charge. His remains were returned to his old home, Nova Scotia, Canada.

Fruit trees are nearly all in full bloom and in fine condition. If frost stays off, we expect an exceedingly fine crop of fruit in this vicinity.

Mountain Rose hunting is now the order of the day here. Two young ladies from Piney Woods Inn ventured too far over the sand hills, lost their way, and wandered up to a saw mill about 2½ miles distant. It being after noon, they were the recipients of a saw mill dinner of which they ate bountifully and were then shown the way back to Southern Pines.

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**Union, Not Fusion.**

Washington Gazette.

It is an undisputed fact that fusion in North Carolina does not mean what the generally supposed definition of the word implies. But like many words in our language it has been given a different meaning than can be found in any of the standard dictionaries. Fusion as developed in the last campaign waged in this State, means the combination of two parties, regardless of the principles they both stand for, to get into office, or in other words to beat the Democrats and get a seat at the pie counter. To see that we are correct in this statement only a short retrospect is necessary, and the bringing to remembrance the contention made by the leaders of the Republicans and Populists in the last campaign. The Republicans favored the gold standard, high tariff and turning over of the eastern towns to negro rule. The Populists claimed to be the only truly free silver party in existence and opposed to a high protective tariff. Yet these parties united to beat the Democrats and called it FUSION. Now if this is a true statement, and it cannot be successfully denied, are we not correct when we say the Gazette Messenger is unalterably opposed to fusion and it favor of the union of all good men, regardless of party, to restore good government in North Carolina.

**Thanks.**

Lumber Bridge News.]

The Daily Observer, of Fayetteville, is much more newsy of late, in addition to the new departure it has made of publishing evening telegraphic dispatches containing in brief the latest news of the world. Success to it.

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**The Close of the Convention.**

Thursday night saw the last meeting of the Sanctification Convention and of Evangelist Leavitt's four week's tent meeting.

On account of the rain the big armory was not as crowded as on the two previous nights, but still there were sufficient people present to contribute $253 for missions. Evangelist Leavitt took a gold ring off his finger, which he said he praised very highly, and contributed it to the cause.

Rev. A. C. Peck preached the sermon, and a very able one, too, on missions.

**A Horrible Find.**

A negro woman, gathering brush on the arsenal grounds on Haymount Friday afternoon, found concealed in a ditch, and covered by only a few inches of clay, a newly born white child, with every appearance of having died in good health, wrapped in brown paper. Coroner Gilbert was notified, and Saturday he held an inquest over the remains.

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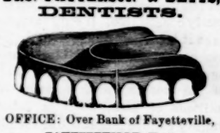

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*CO-OPERATION IN OREGON*

The following letter, received yesterday, explains itself:

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE,
OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN,
Washington, D, C.,
March 28, 1898.

Maj. E. J. HALE,
Fayetteville, N. C.

My dear sir:

As an incident which might escape your attention, I give you the following telegram from the Chairman of the Democratic State Committee of Oregon, which explains itself:

"Hon. James K. Jones:—After four days' hard work we have adopted a Union platform and nominated a Union ticket of all the silver forces in Oregon," to which I have sent the following reply: "Hon. F. A. E. Starr, Chairman, &c.:—The Bimetallists of Oregon have set an example which is worthy of all praise and means victory in 1900. Their patriotic unselfishness is fully appreciated, and will be remembered when victory is won."

Yery truly yours,
JAMES K. JONES.

We published in Tuesday's Daily edition a dispatch from Portland, announcing the success of co-operation in that State, but Senator Jones's letter supplies a refreshing rebuke to those anti-organization so-called Democratic papers in this State which set up a cry of delight when they thought, a day or two ago, that the movement for co-operation in Oregon had failed.

We published some figures the other day, sent to the writer by Chairman Jones, showing how the McKinleyites had, in 1896, carried two Congressional districts in Oregon over the divided forces of Bryanites, notwithstanding the fact that the latter outnumbered them two to one; and yesterday we gave the Rocky Mountain News's interview with him elaborating the folly of the situation in that State before he had received the gratifying intelligence which his present letter conveys.

Surely, mugwumpery must be very firmly established in our good old State to be able to present such a solid front against the declared policy of the party whose honored flag it professes to follow.

*THE OLDEST OF EARTHLY EMPIRES.*

The OBSERVER, among others, has several times pointed out the menace to our Occidental civilization which the 400 millions of Chinese presented, now that steam navigation has impaired the barrier which the ocean formerly constituted. If only they should take it into their heads, as their Japanese congeners have done, to become aggressive, what chance had the rest of the world against an army of 40 millions of men, such as this one mighty empire might set in the field?

The New York World sees in the present prostrate condition of this giant before its European dismemberers, the removal of the menace which has disturbed so many of us. It says:—

"It will probably take some time to decide between the conflicting reports as to China's acceptance or non-acceptance of the Russian propositions. There is, however, no room to doubt that the actual existence of China as an independent empire has come to an end, and that the formal recognition of this fact will not be long delayed.

"It would be unsafe to predict what course of proceedings will be followed in divesting the Chinese Government of the semblance of power after the reality of power has been taken away. Two of the accepted axioms of the situation are that "China is not Africa," and that "the Chinese are yellow and not black," and the acceptance of these axioms by Europe is understood to mean that there will be no partition of China as there has been of Africa. An axiom, however, is a very poor bulwark to protect China against the earth-hunger of the great nations of Europe.

"In whatever form the fiat of destruction may go forth it will relieve the civilized world of a certain apprehension. A great many intelligent people, ethnologists, publicists and students, have thought that the overthrow of Christian civilization by the armed hordes of China was a reasonable probability. Under good leadership the Chinese can fight well and have fought well, and it has been urged that with a slight infusion of Western civilization, including instruction in modern arms and tactics, they would need only a modern Timour or Genghis Khan to inundate, overwhelm and overthrow Europe.

"This possibility now seems to be effectually disposed of. Any power of mischief that an independent China might have developed has been effectually removed by the occupation of Chinese territory. The empire which is to be dismantled and reorganized has an exceptional interest for even the most superficial student of history. Not only does it claim the allegiance of a larger number of subjects than any other power or institution that the world has ever known, exceeding in this respect the empires of ancient Rome and modern Britain and the Catholic Church, but it is by far the oldest of existing human institutions."

**"Knight's Smoker and Concert."**

For several weeks past the Pythians of Fayetteville have been adding to the usual weekly meetings of the Lodge by private readings, essays, concerts, etc., by the members, which has not only proved an enjoyable feature of the meetings, but has resulted in a decided increase in the regular attendance. There will be a "Knight's Smoker" at the regular convention of the Lodge tonight, and the occasion will also be enlivened by a special programme of music, by Remsburg's Big Six Orchestra, besides other interesting features.


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*A REBUKE TO GREEDY OFFICE-SEEKERS.*

Let those who are insisting that the Democrats should have *all the offices* rather than part with some of them in order to gain victory for *principle*, read this conclusive appeal of Chairman Jones, which he has just given out to an interviewer from the Rocky Mountain News:

If any doubt about the necessity for thorough and complete co-operation amongst our friends has existed heretofore, recent declarations by Messrs. Gage and Cleveland should now remove them. Secretary Gage in an address before the Chamber of Commerce of Cleveland, Ohio, on the 18th of this month, after quoting from my recent address the following words: "The surrender of the Republican party to the advocates of the gold standard and monopoly is at last complete. The present administration called to power upon the solemn pledge of the Republican National Convention at St. Louis to promote bimetallism, has formulated and sent to Congress a bill, the leading purpose of which, the Secretary of the Treasury avows, is to commit the country more thoroughly to the gold standard"—is reported to have said: "If intended as a statement of fact, the affirmation is perfectly correct."

The honorable secretary frankly admits that the allegations contained in the foregoing words are, as a statement of fact, "perfectly correct." Thus the lines seem clearly drawn and distinctly understood by both sides. Those who favor the gold standard and monopoly will act together, and it is certainly absolutely necessary that those who oppose these iniquities shall be found acting together and as far as possible in perfect harmony.

In 1896 in the Congressional election in Oregon the following votes were cast in the first district: Republican, 19,355; Populist, 19,296; Democrat, 7,914.

The Republicans elected by 59 plurality over the Populists, with 7,914 Democratic votes counting nothing. Expressed in another way, in this district 19,355 votes elected a congressman over 27,210 votes in the opposition. This was only possible because those who opposed the Republican party divided.

In the second district, in the same State and at the same election, there were cast the following votes: Republicans, 12,617; Populists, 12,239; Independent Republicans, 8,807; Democrats, 7,099.

The Republicans elected their candidate over the Populist by a plurality of 378, while 15,906 Democratic and Independent Republican votes were thrown away; or stated otherwise, 12,617 Republicans elected their congressman over 28,145 votes in the opposition.

Such amazing results could only come from a failure to unite amongst those opposed to the Republican party. With such results so recently obtained by these methods, is it any wonder that the Republicans are attempting again to divide us? In a recent letter to some Pennsylvania friends, Mr. Cleveland is reported to have said: "I am so earnest in my desire to see our country blessed with safe money and a suitable financial system that I am of the opinion we ought to give patriotic and contistent support to *any plan* which insures this result." (The italics are mine). But could a more effective plan to accomplish what Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Gage wish be adopted than this one of dividing our forces while the enemy is united? The elections this year are the skirmish line for 1900. "United we stand, divided we fall." Everything which can be done this year to make co-operation amongst bimetallists thorough and complete in 1900 should be done; strife between factions of bimetallists can only do harm, nothing but complete co operation can make success certain in that great struggle. No bimetallist should insist that another bimetallist shall change his party affiliations or his party name, but should cordially welcome his co-operation in this struggle. Americans and Frenchmen poured out their blood together in the struggle for American independence, and neither asked the other to change his allegiance to his country. Surely, wrangles over party names will not be allowed to obscure the great issue. Local offices and partisan advantage certainly will not be cause for dissensions amongst us. It would be infinitely better and more patriotic to submit to injustice and yet maintain a compact organization rather than allow ourselves to be divided. The nation will understand and appreciate sacrifices for the cause, and they will not be forgotten.

**Messrs Pearson and Caldwell.**

Raleigh News and Observer.

Mr. John H. Pearson, the Democratic member of the Railroad Commission, is every inch a man. In the face of threats and pleadings from sources that were powerful, he had not only the courage to stand by his convictions, but to give the reasons for the faith that was in him. As a member of the Legislature he stook like a manly man for the measures he advocated in the campaign, and as Railroad Commissioner he stood quite as firm. The figures and facts he sought to have the Commission adopt will be ample proof of the wisdom of his course. They will be read by the people and preserved, for they contain full refutation of the pleadings against reduction made by the railroad attorneys.

Mr. Caldwell, the Populist member of the Board, also stood with Mr. Pearson in refusing to be driven from the position he assumed when the rates were reduced. The refusal of Mr. Caldwell to be dictated to by the Governor shows that when he accepted the place he did not regard himself as a puppet of the Governor.

This action by these two Commissioners, whatever may be the final outcome, shows that as between justice and dickers, they have chosen the better part. Although there has been much talk of standing by the people, the last Legislature demonstrated the fact that the corporations dominated, and, therefore, the spectacle, as it has come to be, of a servant of the people living up to his professions is one that cannot be justly passed without emphasis and approval.

**A Little Boy's Trouble.**

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## The President's Message.

Complete Synopsis of Message.

By telegraph to the Observer.)

A complete synopsis of the President's message follows: In it's finding the board says that the battleship was moored in five and one half to six fathoms of water by a regular government pilot, authorities having been previously notified of her coming. The discipline on the Maine was excellent and everything was in perfect order at the time of the explosion. In the opinion of the court this effect could have been produced only by an explosion of a mine situated under the bottom of the ship at about frame eighteen, somewhere on the port side of the ship. The President adds that conclusions of the court are that the loss of the Maine was not in any respect due to the fault or negligence on the part of any of the officers or members of the crew.

That the ship was destroyed by the explosion of a submarine mine, which caused a partial explosion in two or more of the forward magazines, and that no evidence has been obtainable fixing the responsibility for the destruction of the Maine upon any person or persons. The President says that according to a conference with the Spanish minister in January, that a renewal of visits of our war ves sels to Spanish waters was agreed. The authorities at Madrid and Havana were advised of the purpose of this government to resume friendly naval visits, and that the Maine would forthwith call at Havana.

This announcement was received by Spain with appreciation of its friendly character, with a notification of an intention to return the courtesy by sending Spanish ships to the principal ports of the United States. Meanwhile the Maine entered Havana on January 25th, that her arrival was marked with no special incident, besides the exchange of the customary salutes. The Maine remained there three weeks. No appreciable excitement attended her stay and a feeling of relief followed the resumption of this friendly intercourse. So noticeable was this immediate effect that the presence of our ships in Cuban waters was strongly urged by the consul general. At 9:40 February 15th, the Maine was destroyed, the forward part of the ship being utterly wrecked by an explosion. Two hundred and sixty four of the crew perished.

Prompt assistance was rendered by neighboring vessels in the harbor, aid being especially given by boats of the Spanish cruiser Alfonso XII, which lay not far distant. The wounded were generally cared for by the authorities in Havana hospitals, which were freely opened to them, and tributes of sympathy were offered from all official quarters of the island. The appalling calamity fell upon the people of our country with crushing force and in brief time the most excitement prevailed, which in a community less just and self controlled than ours, might have led to hasty acts of blind resentment. This spirit soon gave way to calmer processes of reason and a resolve to investigate the facts and wait the material proof before forming a judgment as to the cause, responsibil ity and facts warranted, and the remedy due.

This course recommended itself to the executive. Usual proceedure followed as in case of casuality or disaster to national vessels in a maritime state. The naval court was immediately organized and the findings of that court were reached after twenty-three days of continuous labor. It is herewith laid before Congress. The evidence of the divers establishes that the after part of the ship was practically intact at frame seventeen of outer shell of ship from a point eleven and one half feet from the middle of the line of ship and six feet above the keel, when in it's normal position it would be forced up so as to be now about four feet above where it would be had the ship sunk uninjured. The outside plate was bent into a reversed V shape the after wing of which was about fifteen feet broad and thirty-two in length is doubled back upon itself against the continuation of same extending forward, at frame eighteen.

The vertical keel was broken in two and flat keel bent into an angle similar to the angle formed by the outside bottom plates. This break, now about six feet below the surface of water, could only have been caused by an explosion, situated under the bottom of the ship. I have directed that the finding of the court of inquiry, and the views of this government thereon, be communicated to her Majesty's government at Madrid, and do not permit myself to doubt that the sense of justice of the Spanish nation will dictate a course of action suggested by the honor, and the friendly relations of the two governments. It will be the duty of the executive to advise congress of that result, and in the meantime, deliberate consideration is invoked.
WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

**A Parallel to Thurston's Plea.**

Raleigh News and Observer.)

North Carolina has a precedent for the remarkable speech made by Senator Thurston on Thursday. He began his plea for the starving Cubans with a delicate allusion to the death of his wife last week while on a trip to Cuba by saying he "spoke by command of silent lips."

When Miss Dix visited Raleigh about 1848—we think it was—to urge the building of an asylum for the insane, she greatly interested the wife of James C. Dobbin, the eloquent leader of the House. After earnest pleadings with all the members, the bill to erect the insane asylum, or Dix bill, failed by a close vote. During the agitation for the asylum Mrs. Dobbin became very ill and died about the time the bill was defeated. The defeat of the measure had distressed her and she obtained the promise of her husband on her death bed that he would try to secure a reconsideration of the vote so that the unfortunate insane might be removed from the dungeons and jails where they were in chains. Before the burial of his wife, his heart bowed down with grief but his spirit upheld by his loving eagerness to do her desire, Mr. Dobbin entered the House of Representatives and, after the most eloquent speech ever delivered in that body, secured the passage of the bill that had previously been defeated.

No speech in the history of the State more profoundly impressed those who heard it, and it is certain that none resulted in greater good to the unfortunate.

Mr. Thurston's splendid display of pathos and patriotic passion, which thrilled and melted the hearts of those who heard, will go far toward ameliorating the condition of the suffering Cubans.

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**Three Views of the Spanish Flotilla.**

NO SERIOUS MENACE.

Philadelphia Record)

There is scarcely a serious menace to our North Atlantic fleet in the reported sailing of the Spanish torpedo flotilla from the Canary Islands for Porto Rico. It would not be a difficult matter, in any event, for our fleet at Key West to send these few little craft to the bottom. As a retort to the assembling of the mighty Federal navy armament in southern waters the dispatching of a baker's dozen of torpedo boats to Porto Rico seems almost ludicrously inadequate. But in cases of this sort it is the intent rather than the performance which is of highest importance and significance.

Torpedo boats are essentially fighting craft, designed chiefly for defensive purposes; and they would be sent on such long voyages as that from Cadiz to Porto Rico only in a grave and pressing emergency. In this instance the emergency seems to consist in the presumed necessity of making some sort of counter-demonstration in Cuban waters in view of the majestic display of naval power by the United States at Key West. The real mischief in such a reckless and characteristic Spanish move is in the almost instant opportunity that would be afforded, after the arrival of the Spanish flotilla at San Juan, for some hasty and inconsiderate action that might precipitate hostilities. It is always dangerous to let the dogs of war approach each other closely. They are apt to turn and rend each other without awaiting the word of command from their masters.

A VERY DANGEROUS FOE.

Atlanta Journal.)

The torpedo flotilla which Spain is sending in this direction does not represent the latest achievements in the construction of such craft but is, nevertheless, a very powerful fleet.

One of these boats, the Ariete, was built in England for Spain eleven years ago and was at that time the fastest vessel on the seas. At her trial she showed a speed of 26.1 knots. Since that time torpedo boats have been built which can travel 32 knots an hour.

Besides the Ariete there are five other torpedo boats in Spain's fleet, namely, the Rayo, Halcon, Azor, Habana and Barcelo.

The power of the fleet is not represented by its torpedo boats, which are considerably out of date, but by the torpedo boat destroyers. As the Scientific American stated recently, a torpedo boat destroyer "is an enlarged torpedo boat provided with sufficient size and power to enable it to keep the sea with a fighting fleet—something that the torpedo boat cannot do. In the course of the English naval maneuvers it was soon discovered that the high speed of the torpedo boat was strictly a fair weather speed, and naval constructors realized that greater weight, size and power were necessary to render these little craft serviceable anywhere outside of sheltered waters. At the same time the enormous increase in the torpedo boat flotillas of other European navies necessitated some defensive action against them, and it was resolved to build a fleet of vessels froom 300 to 400 tons displacement, armed with powerful guns, which would be capable of running down and destroying torpedo craft. Hence the name 'destroyer.'"

Spain has six "destroyers." They are the Pluton, Terror, Furor, Osado, Andaz and Proserpina.

All these are comparatively new and make a terrific marine armament. The Furor and Terror were built in England in 1896. Each has a displacement of 380 tons, a coal capacity of 100 tons, two 12 pound rapid fire guns, two 6 pounders and two 1 pounders, a crew of 67 men and a speed of 28 knots. The Pluton is still more powerful, having a displacement of 400 tons, a crew of 70 men and a speed of 30 knots. She carries the same armament as the Furor and Terror. The Osado, Andaz and Proserpina are of about equal power with the Pluton.

By far the most dangerous part of Spain's navy is made up of her "destroyers," and their movement toward our coast is a matter which our government cannot regard lightly.

The Ariete has recently been undergoing repairs. The Osado, Andaz and Proserpina have just been completed at the Glasgow ship yards.

A PERFECTLY NATURAL MOVEMENT.

Atlanta Constitution.

Although the departure of Spain's torpedo fleet from the Canaries to the West Indies has created a profound sensation here, as being against the expressed wishes of our Government, it was what might have been expected.

We made no formal protest against the sailing of the flotilla, still less had treated it as a possible cause of hostilities. The intimation, therefore, to Minister Polo y Bernabe that it would be wiser, at the present juncture, to keep the fleet at the Canaries, was, at the most, advice from our point of view, and it was overbalanced by Spanish knowledge that the fleet was necessary to protect Havana from our ships. The forts and the floating defences now there are not sufficient to withstand the force we could bring against them, but twelve or thirteen torpedo boats, half of them first-class destroyers, form a reinforcement that Spain would not deny herself.

Knowing perfectly the facts, Spain was justified in not holding this flotilla longer. It was defiance, as we look at it, but for her it was defence. It was unquestionably menace, but only such menace as we have been making for a month, and most wisely, in getting our fleets, forts and army ready for war. The reported explanation of Senor Polo to Secretary Sherman that the Sagasta Ministry, in view of the current elections, thought it better to make this concession to popular demands, is all very well, but the military necessity seems to us to have been a stronger force than politics. Even with armed transports accompanying the boats to feed out coal to them, they may be a fortnight in crossing, and if, in the interim, war should break out, what but ordinary prudence would their departure appear? What excuse could there be for halting this fleet at the Canaries, with a good chance of never getting across the ocean at all, when it should be at Porto Rico or in the harbor of Havana?

The truth is that both the Madrid Government and ours are far beyond the point of exchanging protests against preparations for war.

**Old Document.**

Mrs. S. G. Ayer has shown us an old grant of land in Cumberland, signed by William Tryon, "The Great Wolf of North Carolina," Royal Governor of North Carolina during the troublous times of the Battle of Alamance, and builder of the famous Palace at New Bern. This ancient document is dated Sept. 23d, 1766.


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**RED SPRINGS ITEMS.**

RED SPRINGS, N. C.,
March 30, 1898.

Rev. D. W. Fox will be in Lumberton today and tomorrow on the visitation committee to visit Lumberton Presbyterian church.

Rev. C. G. Vardell will conduct prayer meeting for him tomorrow night.

There was a quarterly meeting of the officers of our church yesterday to prepare reports to Presbytery. The church was insured. D. R. McIver was elected delegate to Presbytery at Carthage, April 19, and R. F. Currie, alternate.

I am sorry that J. W. Braton, contractor and builder, is partially paralyzed. He has some contracts that need his attention badly. May he soon recover as he is a good and useful man.

L. M. Cook, contractor and builder, is very busy and can't keep up with his rapidly increasing business in this progressive town.

The great event of Robeson county last week was the reception of Mr. and Mrs. Will McNeill. Mr. D. S. McRae of Fayetteville can tell you all about it.

Mr. McNeill married Mrs. Sallie Covington of Rockingham, a daughter of Rev. Malcom N. McIver, and sister of Mrs. R. L. McLeod, of Shannon, on Wednesday night; arrived in Red Springs Thursday 9:35 a. m., went to Mr. McNeill's hospitable home a few miles northwest of town, and welcomed hosts of friends that night. Eighty took supper and had it not been so stormy about 200 were expected. I have heard various statements about the feast of good things, but "14 turkeys, 16 pound cakes, 4 acres of pies" and other things in proportion, seems to be the most reliable information available. They ate one hour and concluded they could not eat a supper for 200 and gave it up. A. C. B. says he does not wish to see any turkey soon.

The bride and groom received nice presents. May they live long, happy, prosperous and useful lives, and never forget the reception and its pleasures. We gladly welcome Mrs. McNeill to our community. Misses Fannie McQueen and Flora McKinnon furnished the music for the occasion.

Prof. John R. McQueen of Raeford Institute, one of Moore county's most worthy and popular sons, visited his sister, Miss Kate at Red Springs Seminary last Saturday, and attended Sunday school and preaching here the 27th. His father was my beloved pastor and one of the grandest men I ever saw. We are glad to learn his son, J. A. McQueen, is vice-president of his society, the highest honor for a junior and one of the contestants for a medal at the next commencement at Davidson College. Success to these noble young men.

"Spain accepts McKinley's proposition" does not sound quite right just now, as the propositions of that kind should come from the other party. The Spaniards should beg for time. Our people wish firmness, honor and no wavering, even if Hanna dictates it.

The concert last Friday night at Bennettsville by the Red Springs Seminary was a grand success every way. A telegram was received before they started that 100 reserved seats at 50 cents each had been taken.

Misses Isabel Fairley and Janie McDiarmid are visiting in town. M.

**Millions Given Away.**

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Colds an d Coughs, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on B. E. Sedberry & Sons, Druggists, and get a trial bottle free. Regular size 50c. and $1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded.

**Col. Green on the Situation.**

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., March 29th, 1898.

*Editor Observer:*

Having just read the ferocious outcome of the war bulletins in your last telegrams, please accord me brief space to express appreciation of the same. It must be done in stereotyped verse; prose is inadequate to occasion.

"The King of France with ten thousand men
Marched up the hill, and then marched down again."

Peace is now established on a firm footing; Spain consents to stop shooting her "ever faithful" subjects, and to let us feed them for half a year to come. And for this royal concession, we are to cry "quits" and to muzzle our bull dogs for the same space and such is the sum total it seems of all the bosh, bluster, fanfaronade and lavish expenditure of the past few weeks. As the spotted man was won't to say in the circus ring; "*Jerusalem, Jerusalem!*"

It recalls "Captain Jack's" war when the entire army was held in requisition for weeks and months to squelch two or three dozen unbreeched Indian brigands, who in the end, as we recall, dictated the terms of "armistie." Phew! and Ipecac!

Take down the royal bird from our escutcheon, and substitute the majestic turkey buzzard. The omnipotence of *shekels in* this shekel worshipping land stands proclaimed or at least confest. Great is the money power, and Grover and Mark and his man Mac are it's prophets.

Ye mighty potentates let us have no more war or rumors of war.
W. J. G.


**A LITTLE SUFFERER**

**Face, Hands and Arms Covered With Scrofulous Humors—How a Cure Was Effected.**

"When five years old my little boy had scrofula on his face, hands and arms. It was worst on his chin, although the sores on his cheeks and hands were very bad. It appeared in the form of red pimples which would fester, break open and run and then scab over. After disappearing they would break out again. They caused intense itching and the little sufferer had to be watched continually to keep him from scratching the sores. We became greatly alarmed at his condition. My wife's mother had had scrofula and the only medicine which had helpd her was Hood's Sarsaparilla. We decided to give it to our boy and we noted an improvement in his case very soon. After giving him four bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla the humor had all been driven out of his blood and it has never since returned." WILLIAM BARTZ, 416 South Williams St., South Bend, Indiana.

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**SOUTHERN PINES CHIPS.**

Chandler's Crate Factory has opened and commenced work for the coming season.

Mrs. Thurston, from Boston, Mass., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Patch.

Mrs. G. H. Sadleson and little son Wilbur, who have been visiting friends and relatives in New York State, have returned home.

Mr. J. C. Stanly has commenced the erection of a brick building on lots located on Bennett street.

Capt. A. M. Clark has returned from Washington, D. C., and says there will be war.

Great preparations are being made for the dedication of the new Congregational Church on April 3rd.

The Rev. Ewdard Everett Hale, D. D., of Boston, lectured at Pinehurst last Friday night.

Travel has increased considerably on the trolly road since the new car has been running.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McNeill, of Carthage, N. C., spent last Thursday in town.

The Misses Page, of Aberdeen, spent a few hours in town Monday.

John. G. Shaw, Esq., of Fayetteville, N. C., was in town last Thursday on legal business.

Miss Florence Monroe, who has been sick for several months, is improving we are glad to say.

The colored talent of "Jim Toron" gave a concert last Thursday night at Piney Woods Inn for the amusement of the northern visitors.

Mr. J. C. Stanley has purchased two building lots from Mr. F. D. Blake on Indiana avenue. Mr. Stanley owns now about 50 lots in Southern Pines.

Mr. Kirk Upchurch has sold a house and lot on Railroad street to J. N. Gillis, of 71st. Mr. Gillis is now grading on the new railroad from Craigrownia, N. C., to Concord, N. C. The old road now in operation from Aberdeen to Craigrownia will be torn up and laid to Southern Pines and perhaps on to Fayetteville, N. C., some time in the future.

Below we give a census of Southern Pines taken by the authority of the town officials:

Number of houses, offices and stores, 143; hotels, 6; churches, 4; mills, 2; public schools (3 grades), 1; private schools, 1; people, 826; houses built during the year, 36; churches, 2.

**A Clever Trick.**

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has Lame Back and Weak Kidneys, Malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself right away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to the Liver and Kidneys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures Constipation, Headache, Fainting Spells, Sleeplessness and Melancholy. It is purely vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its natural vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c a bottle at B. E. Sedberry & Sons Drug Store.

**LUMBER BRIDGE LOCALS.**

For many years the fourth Sunday in March has been the day here for the celebration of the Lord's supper. Preparatory services were held Saturday morning and at night. A large crowd was present Sunday and the services were solemn and impressive. Among those from a distance were Mrs. John D. Brown, Fayetteville; Mr. and Mrs. Lock Shaw, St. Pauls; Misses Fannie McQueen and Flora McKinnon, Red Springs; Messrs. Hector McGeachy and Sandy Brown, Fayetteville; of our dispersed abroad we note Misses Lida Law and Carrie McEachern of Red Springs Seminary and Mr. Don McLeod of Maxton.

Monday night an entertaining and instructive address was delivered in the Presbyterian church by Rev. H. Tucker Graham of Fayetteville.

Mr. J. A. Currie spent two pleasant days in your city last week. We regret to know that Mr. Currie's eyes still give him trouble.

On her way to South Carolina, Monday, Mrs. Dr. Willis spent a few hours with her sister, Mrs. L. M. Love.


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**Superior Court.**

Cumberland county Superior Court convened Monday morning for the trial of civil cases only, Judge Oliver H. Allen presiding.

The first case taken up, and which is still in progress, was Nimocks vs. McIntyre, an action to foreclose a mortgage. This case was decided at a former term in favor of the defendant, went to the Supreme Court and a new trial was granted.

Judge Allen is one of the six Democratic Judges on the bench. He is not only a man of sound legal attainments, but possesses a judicial mind and temper as well as high personal character. He has made an enviable name for himself.

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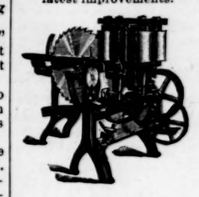

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**VICTOR SAYINGS.**

Victor, N. C., March 26th, 1898.

Mrs. Pearl Johnson spent Friday with friends.

Miss Loula Muse and Miss Fannie Culberson were among the visitors at the U. H. S. academy Friday.

Mrs. W. A. Wadsworth, of Jessup, is visiting friends and relatives here.

Mr. Burnice Cockman has accepted the position as overseer on his father's farm near Carthage.

But few farmers have planted any corn. Garden work is being rapidly pushed. Flower gardens are beginning to bloom, and every school girl seems to be blessed with a supply of beautiful blossoms. DONTON.

**Good Words for the Observer.**

Wilmington Messenger.)

Our excellent neighbor, The Fayetteville Observer, now takes the dispatches which adds to its value much as a news medium.

Red Springs Citizen.)

About a month ago the Fayetteville Observer began taking daily press dispatches, and now gets the news up to 3:30 p. m. This is enterprise on the part of our neighbor, and should be appreciated to the extent of a liberal patronage. Mr. J. D. Callahan receives a number of copies of the Observer every afternoon, thus enabling us to get the latest news at a trifling cost.

**Co-Operation in Oregon**

A Portland, Oregon, telegram of March 25 says:

The conference committees of the Populist, Democratic and Silver Republican State Committees agreed upon a platform today, and it was adopted in each of their conventions.

When the vote on the adoption of the platform was announced in the Populist convention twenty Middle of the Road delegates left the hall.

The platform demands the free and unrestricted coinage of silver and gold at the ratio of 16 to 1, without waiting for the consent of foreign nations; opposes government by injunction and condemns as dangerous the packing of the Supreme Court of the United States with corporation lawyers. It demands the initiative and referendum.

Conference committees on the distribution of officers were appointed by the conventions.

**Good Words for Col. Elam.**

Spirit of the Valley (Va.)

The people of Virginia owe a debt of gratitude to Col. W. C. Elam for the gallant and successful fight he made in behalf of the liberty of the press. But just to think that such a fight was necessary in this State at this date.

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Correspondence on all subjects of local and general interest and opinions upon matters public of concern, are invited

The editor will not be responsible for the veiws or statements of correspondents—and reserves the right at all times to revise or correct any article he may think requires it.

One side, only, of the paper must be written on—and the real name of the writer accompany the contribution. No attention will be paid to anonymous letters.

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J. A. Burns---A great bargain for 15 days only.


Messrs. Sedberry & Sons have in the show window of their drug store the photographs of 15 U. S. battleships.

**Death of a Infant.**

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Evans, of Idaho, have our sincere sympathy in the lost of their infant child Saturday.

**Protracted Meeting at Stedman.**

Rev. Dr. Nash is assisting Rev. G. W. Starling in a protracted meeting at Stedman. Rev. Ben. Black filled Dr. Nash's pulpit at the Methodist Church Sunday night.

**A History of N. C. Methodism.**

Rev. W. L. Grissom, of Greensboro, formerly editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, is in the city collecting data for a history of North Carolina Methodism.

**Early Blooming Roses.**

Mr. John M. Martin, of Bow st., has a Marechal Niel rose bush which has actually produced a bloom of that fragrant and beautiful flower. It is said to be an unprecedented occurrence for March.

**A Painful Accident.**

While on her way to church Sunday night Mrs. Martha King tripped and fell, fracturing her right arm at the elbow. It is a most painful and difficult fracture, and we are glad to learn that Mrs. King is resting comfortably this afternoon.

**At the Opera House Monday Night.**

In spite of the small audience "His Excellency" Company gave a fine performance Monday night, and the audience showed their appreciation by hearty applause.

Edwin A. Davis is a first class comedian, and caused many a hearty laugh.

**Almost a Fatal Blow.**

Late Saturday afternoon Geo. Holliday and Pompey Williams, both colored, got into a quarrel, the result of which was Holiday striking Williams near the right temple with a brick. The injury was so serious that Holliday was refused bail, and was placed in jail. The injured man has developed no dangerous symptoms as yet.

**Incendiary Fires.**

For some time past woods fires have been raging in sections of country around Stedman, and it has just lately developed that the fires were of incendiary origin. Several persons are under suspicion. The Riley estate, the same over which there was such a great legal contest, the lands of Mr. J. D. Geddie and Mr. W. G. Maxwell, have suffered most.


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**People and Their Movements.**

Miss Douglas Smith, of Wilmington, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Alex. Campbell.

Mr. Theodore MacRae is at home from the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Raleigh.

Mrs. Burnham Hawkins, of Oxford, is here on a visit to her sisters, the Misses Moody.

Miss Minnie P. Benny, Mrs. Dye's northern milliner, returned last week for the spring and summer season.

Mr. J. A. Barnes, who has been with McMillan Bros. at Mobile for the past two months, is at home again.

Miss Mary Eliza Robeson has gone to Red Springs where her father, Mr. David Robeson, has recently moved.

Miss Maggie Mallett went to Salisbury Monday afternoon on account of the illness of Mrs. Harry Overman's little son.

Mr. John Atkinson left Sunday for Dunn, where he has accepted a position with the South Dunn Manufacturing Company.

Rev. A. J. McKelway, of Charlotte, editor of the North Carolina Presbyterian, spent a few hours in town Monday and received a warm welcome from his numerous friends here.

Miss Eames, of New York, an expert milliner, arrived on the A. C. L. Saturday night and will assist Miss Mary H. Smith during the spring and summer season.

Mrs. Hawthorne did not arrive Friday as was expected, but went through to Maxton where she will first visit relatives there and return shortly to visit Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hawley.


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## SUNDAY AT WASHINGTON.

**IS McKINLEY VACILLATING?**

Sunday was a busy day in Washington, very unlike a Sabbath day. Though an immense amount of business seemed to be taking place, nothing of great importance transpired. McKinley (or Mark Hanna) evidently wants peace at any price and to what length he will go before halted by Congress remains to be seen.

The most important news which was given out is the following abstract of the Report of Inquiry:

The report is made up of eight parts, as follows:

First—The court finds that at the time of the explosion, the battleship Maine was lying in five and one half to six fathoms of water.

Second—The discipline aboard the ship was excellent; everything—ammunition, guns, stores, etc.—stowed according to orders. The temperature of the magazines at 8 p. m. was normal, except in the after ten inch magazine, and that did not explode.

Third—The explosion occurred at 9:40 o'clock on the evening of February 15. "There were two explosions, with a very short interval between them; the ship lifted on the first explosion."

Fourth—The court can form no definite opinion of the condition of the wreck from the divers' evidence.

Fifth—From the tecnical details of wreckage, the court deduces that "a mine was exploded under the ship on the port side."

Sixth—The explosion was due to "no fault of those on board."

Seventh—The opinion of the court states that "the explosion of the mine caused the explosion of two magazines."

Eighth—The court declares that it "cannot find evidence to fix the responsibility."

The report is unanimous and is signed by all the members of the court. It does not refer to the existence or non-existence of mines in the harbor of Havana, except in the specific finding that a mine was exploded under the ship, and the opinion that the explosion of two magazines was caused by the explosion of a mine.

The report as a whole is a formal, dispassionate recital of facts and bears the stamp of that strict officialism which marks naval procedure. It is brief, not exceeding 1,800 words.

A press dispatch from Washington says:

The President saw a number of the members of the cabinet at the White House to day They dropped in one by one until those present included Secretaries Bliss, Alger, Gage and Attorney General Griggs. With them also was Assistant Secretary Day, of the State Department, who presumably had some dispatches to show the President. The Cuban question and the report of the Maine court of itquiry were the topics discussed, but so far as could be ascertained nothing conclusive was determined, one of the members of the cabinet saying subsequently that there was nothing new or startling in the situation.

At the State, War and Navy Departments during the earlier part of the day, there was no semblance of the Sabbath. Chiefs of bureaus, clerks, messengers and telegraph operators were at work. Probably never since the days of the late war have so many officials gathered at the War and Navy Departments on a Sunday.

The Madrid correspondent of the London Times of Monday says:

The Times, after proceeding to comment generally on the situation, expresses the opinion that war is inevitable if the United States intervenes in Cuba, while the result is certain beforehand.

The Times concludes its editorial as follows: "While hoping that we may yet be spared the sad spectacle of a contest between two friendly nations, both bound to us by the ties of old friendship, if the worst comes, we should not, of course, forget while maintaining the duties of neutrality towards both, that one of them is knitted to us yet more closely by ties of blood."

## How Did Wall Street Get the Tip?

**AN UGLY AFFAIR FOR THE ADMINISTRATION.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, March 28.—Wall Street got the tip out of Washington on the the proposed Spanish American Alliance long before the people at the capitol knew anything of the plan. Henry Cannon, president of the Chase national bank, of New York, was here Saturday to use his influence on the side of peace, John C. Moore, of Moore and Schley, Brokers, also hurried hither from Florida. Other prominent brokers followed and presently Wall Street had a tip that sent stocks flying up. The state department says that cipher messages must have leaked out.

**Russia and China.**

By cable to the Observer.

St. Petersburg, March 29 —The foreign governments have been officially notified of the occupation of Port Arthur and Talien Wan by Russia, the latter port being open to foreign trade, and that the twenty-five years lease of these ports may later be extended. The communication also points out the connection of these ports with trans-siberian regions, to the yellow sea and the whole world.

**"Declare War Against Spain Immediately."**

By telegraph to the Observer.

WASHINGTON, March 29. — Senator Rawlings says: "I am in favor of declaring war against Spain immediately. She knows something about the destruction of the Maine and should be held accountable. "The first blow we should strike, however, should be in the shape of the recognition of Cuban independence."

Mark Hanna says, "I feel more hopeful for peace than ever."

**Of Course.**

By cable to the Observer.)

Madrid, March 29.—Complete tranquility prevails here, and in the provinces. Public opinion has quieted down on the belief that the difficulties between Spain and the United States will be arranged in a friendly manner. The newspapers place great weight upon the conference between Gen. Woodford, United States Minister, and Senor Sagasta, Premier, which is to occur at four o'clock this afternoon, expressing the belief that it will have important pacific results. The Spanish newspapers say that the government of Spain "has decided to do everything possible to avert war if the honor and dignity of Spain is not affected."

## AMERICA'S BLACK DAY.

**McKINLEY IN THE HANDS OF HIS FRIENDS.**

The patriotic citizens of Fayetteville were astounded Monday afternoon when the OBSERVER told them of McKinley's (or Mark Hanna's) infamous plan in regard to Spain, and when the OBSERVER extra came out at 7 o'clock last night, giving McKinley's message and the indignation in Washington and all over the country at this betrayal of a great trust, the excitement was at fever heat.

And now comes the news (in our telegrams Tuesday), that the rich men of Wall Street knew of this move of the President's long before it was made public and profitted by it to the extent of millions of dollars, dollars stolen from the pockets of others.

A leading Republican Senator said Monday: "Congress will not endure continued diplomatic negotiations with Spain regarding the Cuban question, and will insist that Cuba be freed immediately of the Spanish forever."

"This is the temper of congress and congress will shape the policy of the country."

No demands have been made by this Government in connection with the Maine, and therefore there is no response beyond the submission of the Spanish report.

THE SPANISH COURT'S REPORT.

A full synopsis of the report of the Spanish naval commission which investigated the destruction of the battleship is here given by the Associated Press. It is taken from a copy of the original report, which is on its way here from Havana, the synopsis being cabled in the meantime and to day placed in the hands of this government. The conclusions reached are directly opposite to those in the report of the court of inquiry submitted by congress to day. The synopsis is as follows:

The report contains declarations made by occular witnesses and experts. From these statements it clearly deduces and proves the absence of all those attendant circumstances which are invariably present on the occasion of the explosion of a torpedo.

"The evidence of witnesses comparatively close to the Maine at the moment is to the effect that only one explosion occurred, that no column of water was thrown into the air, that no shocks to the side of the nearest vessel was felt, nor on land was any vibration noticed, and that no dead fish were found.

"The evidence of the senior pilot of the harbor states that there is abundance of fish in the harbor and this is corroborated by other witnesses. The assistant engineer of works states that after explosions made during the execution of works in the harbor he has always found dead fish.

"The divers were unable to examine the bottom of the Maine, which was buried in the mud, but a careful examination of the sides of the vessel, the rents and the breaks which all point outward shows without a doubt that the explosion was from the inside.

A minute examination of the bottom of the harbor around the vessel shows absolutely no sign of the action of a torpedo and the fiscal (judge advocate) of the commission can find no precedent for the explosion of the storage magazines of a vessel by a torpedo.

**War the Only Salvation.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, March 29th.—Senator Morgan of the foreign relations committee, which has the Maine report in charge, said this morning that the only key to the situation was a declaration of war against Spain. "I have made up my mind as to what do do, but will do nothing until I see what disposition is made of the resolution for intervention, which Senator Foraker introduces today.

**Mason for Freedom.**

By telegraph to the Observer.)

Washington, March 29.—The Senate adopted this afternoon Senator Morgan's resolution calling on the President to inform the Senate how many Americans were imprisoned in Cuban towns by Weyler's orders, and how much money appropriated by Congress was necessary to feed the Americans. Senator Mason, Republican, of Illinois, in a speech this afternoon declared he is for war, which caused such great applause in the galleries that the vice president could not stop it. Senator Mason says that the responsibility for the wreck of the Maine lies with Spain and that she must pay the penalty. He says he is tired of the dilatory tactics which the government has displayed. He will oppose asking for an indemnity, annexation or purchase of Cuba, and will demand the withdrawal of the Spanish flag and absolute freedom on the island.


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To cleanse the system in a gentle and truly beneficial manner, when the Springtime comes, use the true and perfect remedy, Syrup of Figs. Buy the genuine. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only, and for sale by all druggists, at 50 cents per bottle.


**River News.**

There was 4.3 feet of water in the Cape Fear at 8 o'clock yesterday. The Hurt is expected up from Wilmington today and the Hawes is expected tomorrow or next day.


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March 26 4t


## PEACE OR WAR?

### Cubans to Purchase Their Independence?

By cable to the Observer.)

London, March 30.—There is intense excitement here over the news that the Spanish press censor has stopped all telegrams from leaving that country today. A message received by a circuitous route says: "There was an interview today between Minister Woodford, Premier Sagasta, and Ministers Moret and Gullon. The Cuban question and the Maine explosion were discussed, Minister Woodford's plan was practically an ultimatum. Premier Sagasta gains time by not seeing the Queen till tomorrow." The extraordinary nature of the situation is shown by the fact that both the United States and Spain have thrown aside all forms of diplomatic etiquette and have taken the sensational steps of direct personal negotiations between Minister Woodford and the Prime Minister.

**The War Resolutions Before the Committee.**

By telegraph to the Observer.)

Washington, March 30.—The Senate committee on foreign relations have been in session since 9 o'clock this morning. Several members saw the President. The four resolutions introduced in the Senate yesterday in behalf of Cuba were considered, but it is impossible to predict the outcome. The authors of the resolutions appeared before the committee and urged a favorable report.

**The President May Lose Control of Congress.**

By telegraph to the Observer.)

Washington, March 30th —Feverish interest in the Cuban question is evident at the capitol this morning. A long line of spectators have been waiting since daylight for admission. Today's developments and the action of the executive branch for the next 24 hours are eagerly awaited. The President is confronted with the necessity to immediately adopt a definite policy or of losing control of the situation and turning it over to congress. There is great excitement at the navy department on account of a report by cablegram from Madrid announcing the arrival this morning from Carthagena of cruisers Maria Theressa and Christobal at Colon, and a large torpedo boat destroyer, the former is one of the most powerful ships in the Spanish navy. Their destination is unknown.

**Will Spurn the Executive.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

WASHINGTON, March 30 —A conference of the utmost significance in regard to the American-Spanish situation was held at the White House this morning. Ten or twelve or more prominent Senators visited the President, after having held conference among themselves to agree upon something like a definite proposition in regard to the Spanish affair, to lay before the the executive. The meeting was in reality a counsel to determine whether peace or war should be the immediate policy of government. In the conference were Senator Davis, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, Senator Frye, of the same committee, and Senators Hanna, Aldrich, Spooner and Burroughs. The details were not made public but it was settled, we have it on the authority of a participant in the meeting, that the principal object was to demand vigorous action of some kind and if the administration will not do this the senators said congress will break all bounds, spurning the executive policy and declare war against Spain. The President explains the causes of the delay by saying that he expected a cablegram momentarily which would form a practical conclusion to agreement in Cuban war. Late in the conference, efforts were made to devise some method of holding congress from radical independent action. The conference lasted until noon.

**McKinley Heard the Voice**

By cable to the Observer.)

WASHINGTON, March 30.—Spain asks until to-morrow to reply to the proposition of the United States for a settlement of the Cuban question on a basis of armistice. Spain asks if the independence of Cuba is the condition of the proposition. President McKinley answers "Yes." Mr. Bailey's demand for immediate consideration of his resolution was defeated in the house by a strict party vote.

**The Republicans Under the Lash**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, March 30.—Democratic leader of the house Bailey introduced a resolution in the House declaring the independence of Cuba and demanding its immediate consideration, claiming the privilege. The republicans opposed it and defeated the claim. Czar Reed ruled the resolution not in order. Mr. Bailey appealed from the decision and the appeal was tabled.

**Spain to Allow Cuba to Purchase Freedom.**

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, March 30.—The State department received a cablegram last night from Minister Woodford announcing that the Spanish government had decided to accept the offer made by the President that the Cubans purchase their land and freedom. It is not believed that either Congress or the Cubans are willing to accept the proposition, but if it should be accepted, Congress will say that it does not eliminate the Maine situation.


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This Contest Closes July 1st.

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Administrator's Sale.

By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Cumberland County, as administrator of M. Faulk, deceased, I will sell at the Court House in Fayetteville on Saturday, the 30th day of April, 1898, that valuable plantation on the West side of the Wilmington road about three miles from Fayetteville, and known as the "Smith place;" containing about one hundred and thirty acres. Terms, one-half cash, balance in three months. Title reserved until purchase money is paid.

J. H. MARSH, Administrator.

March 28, 1898.



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In Probate Court.

David Sessoms, Admr, of D. T. Horne, dec'd, vs. L. A. Sessoms et al.--Notice.

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Probate Court of Cumberland County, to sell a certain parcel of land situated in Cedar Creek Township in said county, for the purpose of making assets to pay debts; and the said defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear at the office of the clerk of the Superior Court, for said county on the 2nd day of May, 1898, at the court house of said county, in Fayetteville, N C, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

CYRUS MURPHY, C. S. C.
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This March 26th, 1898. (saw) 6 times.



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**A Candidate for Sheriff.**

Mr. Geo. A. Burns is an avowed candidated for nomination of sheriff at the coming Democratic Convention.

**Cold Storage.**

We understand that the Fayetteville Ice Factory Company are considering the matter of constructing a cold storage in connection with their plant. A cold storage is one of the great needs of Fayetteville.

**The Stock Law Fence.**

The Cross Creek stock law fence will be completed by the middle of next week if every thing goes smooth. The fence is 16 miles long, 11 miles of which was constructed, and 5 miles of which was private fence.

**Brotherhood of Engineers' Meeting.**

At a meeting of the Cape Fear Division of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, held in this Thursday, Mr. W. C. MacLauchlin was elected Chief Engineer and Mr. A. E. Dixon Secretary and delegate to the St. Louis Convention.

**Woods Fire in the Suburbs.**

A fire broke out Thursday afternoon in the pine straw on the Atkinson land in the north-eastern suburbs, and, fanned by the great wind, swept an area of twenty acres of fine timber land. Luckily there was nothing else for it to feed on, as the surrounding land was cleared, and it died out.

**A High Wind.**

A tremendous wind storm raged for about 30 minutes Thursday afternoon between five and six o'clock, driving great clouds of dust before it, reminding one of the fearful night of February 14th last, when the city was threatened with destruction. Nine telegraph poles on the C. F. & Y. V., just above Spout Springs, were blown down, and considerable other damage was done in that neighborhood.

**Kind Words, and We Appreciate Them.**

Our esteemed contemporary, the Dunn Union, of Thursday, contained the following:

The Fayetteville Daily Observer recently began giving its readers the Associated Press dispatches and is now serving them with the latest news service to be had, besides giving them a splendid local service which goes to make it one of the most attractive and newsy evening papers published in the State. We extend our congratulations to the Observer and trust that its enterprise will receive a hearty support.

**Measuring the F. I. L. I. Boys.**

Mr. J. A. Roman, representing Jacob Reed & Son, of Philadelphia, who secured the contract to furnish new uniforms for the Independent Company, arrived last week, and Thursday he was engaged in taking the measure of the 50 odd active members.


Don't annoy others by your coughing, and risk your life by neglecting a cold. One Minute Cough Cure cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe and all throat and lung troubles. King Bros.


**Found Her Husband and Son in Jail.**

An OBSERVER reporter Thursday found an old colored woman in the Mayor's office sobbing and crying as if to break her heart. When questioned as to the cause of her grief, she said that she arrived from Wilmington Wednesday on the Hurt, and on coming up town next morning she learned that her husband, Nathaniel Williams, and her son, were both in jail, charged with complicity in the Maultsby robbery. The old woman had gone to Wilmington, where she lived before moving to Little River Township two years ago, on a visit, and had heard nothing of plight of her family.


What pleasure is there in life with a headache, constipation and biliousness? Thousands experience them who could become perfectly healthy by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. King Bros.


**The Sanctification Convention.**

A great crowd assembled at the armory Wednesday to hear Rev. A. C. Peck on "The second coming of Christ." He is undoubtedly a powerful speaker and for one hour and a half he held the close attention of the vast congregation. He argued that the coming of Christ was near at hand as indicated by the signs of the times, interpreted through the bible prophecies: the indications of a great war, the greatest the world has ever known, close at hand, followed by famine and pestilence; the money of the earth being concentrated in a few hands, the rich getting richer and the poor poorer; the demonetization of silver, thus enhancing the value of gold two fold, giving the greater power to the rich; the immorality and unbelief, prevalent everywhere; the fast returning of the Jews to Palestine; and last but most potent of all, the fact that for several years rains have been falling, making the desert places of Egypt rich and fertile again.

Rev. Mr. Mitchell again preached at the tent with much effect, to the colored people.

Thursday Evangelist W. P. Fife preached to a large congregation in the armory on "The Believer's Blessed Hope; or, the Second Coming of the Lord Jesus Christ." It is pronounced by those present as a fine effort.


CASTORIA.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought. is on every wrapper.


## THE MAINE DISASTER.

**Situation Unchanged.**

There was no material change in the Spanish situation Thursday. The Fayetteville curious have been looking for Judge Advocate Marix to pass through here, and he should have done so today at noon but he took another route as will be seen by the following dispatch from Jacksonville dated Wednesday:

Judge Advocate Marix left Miami at 7:30 o'clock this morning on the East Coast Railway, reached Jacksonville at 8:45 o'clock p. m., on time, and left at 8 o'clock via the Florida, Central and Peninsular and Southern and will pass through Savannah, Columbia, Charlotte, Greensboro, Danville, Lynchburg and Charlottesville, reaching Washington at 9:35 o'clock p. m. eastern time, Thursday night. The railroad wires have carried the message down the line to use all dispatch.

A press dispatch from Havana says:

Gunner Morgan left for the fleet at Key West to-day. With him went the naval divers Fisher, Rundquest and Schluter, and Hanz, the helper. This leaves two navy divers and five civilians on the contract work.

The body of a white man was found in the forward part of the wreck to-day. It will probably be identified by marks on the clothing when the latter has been disinfected. The body was sent to Key West on the Olivette.

## WAR IS INEVITABLE.

Everything points to the fact that a war for the independence of Cuba is inevitable unless Spain abjectly backs down. The money power or the Republican administration cannot contend with an indignant people.

A dispatch from Washington Friday night says:

The report of the Naval Board of Inquiry into the Maine disaster was received in Washington at 9:35 to night. The four naval officers who have guarded it since its departure from Key West, were hustled at once to a carriage by an attache of the Navy Department and driven to the Ebbitt House.

The party consisted of Lieutenant Commander Marix, Lieutenant John Hood, Lieutenant Carl Jungen, Assistant Engineer Bowers, A. T. Marix, a nephew of the judge-Advocate, and ship carpenter Helms, of the Maine's ill fated crew. There was an immense crowd waiting at the depot when the train pulled in. The naval contingent avoided the crush of citizens by alighting at the upper end of the platform and going out across the tracks.

The party was met by Lieutenant Ward, of the Navy Department, who was the sole representive of Secretary Long. He informed Commander Marix that the Secretary would not receive the report to-night.

Lieutenant Hood carried the bulky document in a white canvas bag slung over his arm. It must have weighed ten or twenty pounds without its carrying case.

That the whole party carrying the report was armed was demonstrated in a rather theatrical way just as they were about to get into the carriage. Some one ran against the end of the mysterious canvas bag in which the report was concealed. Quick as a flash Lieutenant Hood's hand went back to his hip and Lieatenant Jungen laid his hand on the butt of a revolver that was sticking from his side pocket. The movements were sufficient to prevent further jostling.

The report, in due process of law, must first be delivered to the Secretary of the Navy, and this, according to all precedents, will be at the Navy Department. It will then be submitted to President McKinley, upon whose decision its future migrations will depend.

### SENATOR THURSTON'S DRAMATIC SPEECH.

A scene dramatic in the intensity of its interest, was presented in the Senate Thursday during the delivery by Senator Thurston, of Nebraska, of a speech on the Cuban situation.

Senator Thurston's first sentence, in which he said he spoke by command of silent lips—a delicate and touching reference to the loss of his wife on the memorable trip to Cuba—commanded instant attention.

Mrs. Thurston's dying request to her husband was that he should lose no time on account of her death to do his utmost to save and free Cuba and its people.

Without knowing the motive which animated Senator Thurston and inspired him to do his best efforts, his auditors instinctively realized and thoroughly sympathized with his evident emotion. He said:

### MUST BE INTERVENTION.

"Mr. President, there is only one action possible, if any is taken; that is, intervention for the independence of the island; intervention that means the landing of an American army on Cuban soil, the deploying of an American fleet off the harbor of Havana; intervention which says to Spain leave the island, withdraw your soldiers, leave the Cubans, these brothers of ours in the new world, to form and carry on government for themselves. Such intervention on our part would not of itself be war. It would undoubtedly lead to war."


Whooping cough is the most distressing malady; but its duration can be cut short by the use of One Minute Cough Cure, which is also the best known remedy for croup and all lung and bronchial troubles. King Bros.


## AN EVENTFUL DAY.

Friday was an eventful day. The OBSERVER caught the Southern mail with the unofficial announcement that the Board of Inquiry's report declared that the explosion of the Maine was caused by an external agency. Hardly had its packages for the afternoon trains been delivered before the definite telegram confirming the other came to hand. The press was stopped, and our town readers and those at the post offices on the roads leading North from here given the benefit of it.

Saturday morning's telegrams, after confirming the OBSERVER'S yesterday's news that the loss of the Maine was due to an outside explosion and adding that it came apparently from a submarine mine, probably a floating mine, say:

The Government of Spain, it can be stated positively, is not disposed to turn back the torpedo flotilla now proceeding from the Canaries, and would be disinclined to consider a suggestion from this Government tending to interfere with the disposition by Spain of her own naval forces.

War preparations on an unprecedented scale are being hurried to completion by the War and Navy Departments, and the country, practically, is on a war footing.

The result, briefly stated, of the Board of Inquiry's findings is that the loss of the Maine was due to an explosion from the outside, the court being unable to fix the responsibility for the explosion. The court does not express an opinion as to the character of the explosion, but the testimony goes to show that it was a powerful sub-marine mine, the exact character of which is not determined by the testimony, though the belief was expressed that it was a floating sub-marine mine. There were two explosions, the court finds, the first from the outside, and that set off one of the smaller magazines.

The Spanish report, says a Madrid cablegram, has been received by the Government. This, the cable says, is said to be "confused" and explanations are said to have been requested. In any case, it is added, it will not be published until after the report of the United States naval court of inquiry has been made public.

The Spanish report says it is "scientifically and practically demonstrated that the explosion was internal.,'

The Correspondencia says the Spanish Government will dispatch a note to Washington, requesting that the report on the loss of the Maine be not sent to Congress until both reports are presented and considered by both Governments.


**TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.**

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**ALASKA GOLD MINES.**

(N. Y. Mercantile and Financial Times)

*A New Jersey Corporation That Had Entered the Field Long Before the News of the Klondike Finds Was Received.—The Admiralty Island Alaska Gold Mining and Development Company, Incorporated in January Last With a Capital of $1,000,000.*

To a great many otherwise well informed people the sensational news a couple of weeks ago from the Klondike was the first intimation ever received of the existence of rich gold deposits in that part of the world. But for all that a great deal of American capital had already been quietly invested in gold bearing territory in that section. A most interesting case in point is that of the ADMIRALTY ISLAND ALASKA GOLD MINING AND DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, of Matteawan, N. J. This is a company which became incorporated under the laws of New Jersey in January last, with a capital of $1,000,000, in shares of the par value of $1 each. The officers are: T. M. Antisell, President; M. P. Moseley, Vice President and General Manager; W. B. Bankhead, Secretary; and H. A. Hickok, Treasurer.

It appears that about two years ago the gentlemen identified with the undertaking secured certain remarkably rich mining properties situated on Admiralty Island, Alaska, about 225 miles from Juneau. There are seven mines in all, as follows:

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| "The Lenora," | dimensions | 600x1500 ft. |
| "The Sardonyx," | " | 600x1500 ft. |
| "The United States," | " | 600x1500 ft. |
| "The Gibraltar," | " | 600x1500 ft. |
| "The Ophir," | " | 600x1500 ft. |
| "The Hidden Treasure," | " | 600x1500 ft. |
| "The Alaska King," | " | 600x1500 ft. |

With each of the above named properties there is a mill site and water right concession, duly recorded. Said mill sites contain a little less than five acres of land.

A vessel can anchor within one thousand feet of the mines. Work once commenced, can be carried on throughout the entire year.

The location of this group of mines is about 225 miles from Juneau, and is only known to this company and its employees. These properties have exceptional natural advantages.

The ore found on these properties is free milling quartz, which can be reduced into marketable bullion at very low figures. It is more than probable that the "mother lode" of the Alaskan gold fields is on this company's territory. Just across the channel are the Treadwell mines, the richest in the world, now paying $10,000 a day clear.

The Admiralty Island Alaska Gold Mining and Development Company must not be confounded with the speculative "fakes" that have sprung up during the last week or two. It is a solid business undertaking, inaugurated two years before the Klondike was ever heard of, and managed by men of ability, experience and integrity. Those who secure stock in such an undertaking are certain to reap rich rewards.

We may add that the company have a New York office at 38 Park row, Room 50' where stock can be had at very low figures for the present.


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**A Northern Visitor on Fayetteville.**

WISE WORDS THAT SHOULD BE HEEDED.

The gentleman, whose name is appended to the following communication, is Editor of The American Agriculturist, The Orange Judd Farmer, The New England Homestead, and the Farm and Home, and is President of the Orange Judd Company, of New York, Chicago and Springfield, Mass., and of the Phelps Publishing Company of Ohio and Massachusetts, both of which companies publish the above papers:

MARCH 19, 1898.

*Editor Fayetteville Observer:*

A brief stay in Fayetteville is sufficient to indicate some promising opportunities which your city does not yet fully grasp, apparently. A western town of this size would have paved streets, sprinkled during dry weather, and a general air of tidyness and thrift, these adds so much to the attractiveness of a community, A Fayetteville improvement association would find much useful work to do in educating your people to favor and to practice that neatness about streets and grounds that is the secret of the growth of many a northern place less favorably situated than Fayetteville. It is evident that this town possesses numerous advantages as a commercial and manufacturing centre, but with certain improvements, Fayetteville could do quite a business as a winter health resort. Many people from the north and west, enroute to Florida via the Atlantic Coast Line, would be benefitted by stopping here a few days, rather than to go from the extreme cold to the extreme heat of Florida. Even more prudent is it for those returning to the north after some time in the debilitating climate of Florida to stop off here in order to make the change of climate less sudden. Many a northerner has gone home from the far south in March or April, only to contract a sudden cold at his home, perhaps to bring on a fatal illness. Every intelligent doctor knows that such risks would be reduced by tempering the body to the change by means of a few days in the temperate but inspiring air of this vicinity. Your town also has a fine hosteiry to take care of this trade. If this matter was properly worked up, some thousands of dollars would be annually spent here by tourists. Moreover, some of these travellers and health seekers would be so attracted to the place as to invest in permanent homes or business in this city. I was so impressed with this chance that Fayetteville possesses, after driving about the place and realizing its location (about half way between Florida points and New York), that I may be pardoned for saying that many a now larger city at the north and west has been built up on a far more s'ender prospect than this place enjoys. An earnest spirit, backing up an organization like the one suggested, could accomplish much for Fayetteville, and without any great outlay of capital. Make the most of what you already have.

HERBERT MYRICK,
Editor American Agriculturist,
New York and Chicago.


**Spring Medicine**

It is true wisdom for everybody to take a thorough course of Swift's Specific just at this season of the year. The blood is sluggish and impoverished, and the system is full of impurities which should be eliminated. In addition to thoroughly cleansing the blood, and toning up the system so as to avoid loss of appetite and a general run-down feeling in the spring, S. S. S. so strengthens and builds up as to fortify against the many forms of dangerous illness that abound during the hot summer season. It is a very small matter to take this precaution but it insures health and strength all summer. Swift's Specific

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Mr. John Scott Harrison, Jr., nephew of ex-President Harrison, whose hard, teling campaign work in the Southwest showed the strong family gift, sends the following appreciative estimate of Paine's celery compound as an ideal restorative for the body and brain when either are excessively used:

KANSAS CITY, Mo, Jan 28, 1898
Wells, Richardson & Co..

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Yours truly,
JOHN SCOTT HARRISON, JR.

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**Police News.**

Sol. Terry, colored, was arrested Friday charged with complicity in the Maultsby robbery. He was found wearing some of the missing goods. Terry is an old offender, having been in the penitentiary several times. This is the sixth arrest made in this case. All are in jail except the woman.


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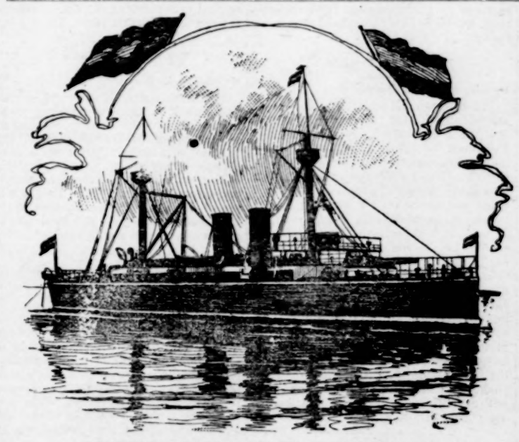
**Death at Stedman.**

Mrs. Jno. Horne, Jr., died at her home near Stedman Friday night, aged about 50 years. The deceased, who was a member of the Baptist church, leaves a husband and seven children.


After years of untold suffering from piles. B. W. Pursell of Knitnersville, Pa, was cured by using a single box of De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. Skin diseases such as eczema, rash, pimples and obstinate sores are readily cured by this famous remedy. King Bros.

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**NOTICE!**

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION,
House of Representatives U. S.,
Washington, D. C.

*To Whom it May Concern:*

A competitive examination is hereby ordered to be held at Clinton, Sampson County, N. C., on Friday, the 29th day of April, 1898, for the purpose of selecting one Cadet and one Alternate who shall be appointees to the U. S. Military Academy at West Point. Said examination shall be open to any and all bona-fide residents of the 3rd, Congressional District of N. C., who are possessed of the required legal qualifications. These appointees shall report at West Point, June 14th, 1898.

Jno. E. Fowler, M. C.
3rd, District of N. C.
This the 16th, day of March, 1898.
Alex. H. Koonce,
Private Secretary.

## SALE OF UNCLAIMED FREIGHT

(Old Hoss Sale)

By virtue of section 1985 of the Code of North Carolina, I shall sell at public auction at the C. F. & Y. V. Cotton Platform, opposite Passenger Depotin Fayetteville, N. C., on Monday, April 4th, 1898, at 11:00 A. M., a lot of unclaimed freight held by the C. F. & Y. V. R'y Co., for more than 12 months, to pay charges and freight on same, and cost of sale. Terms cash. For ist of articles see posters.

JOHN GILL Receiver
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## North Carolina,

Cumberland County
In the Superior Court, Nov. Term, 1898.
Lilly & Gray, Executors, vs Jos Ray.
Notice of Land Sale.

By virtue of the power and authority vested in me by a decree rendered at November Term of Cumberland Superior Court in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale the following property: Ninety-three acres in Carver's Creek Township, State and County above written and bounded as follows: On the north adjoining the lands of W. C. Blackman and the Ray lands; on the west by the lands of Henry Capps, on the south adjoining the Ray lands and the lands of D. B. Calvin; on the east bounded by the lands of John Hodges. See Records of Cumberland County, Book L, No. 4, page 467

Time of sale. April 9th, 1898, at the Market House in Fayetteville, N. C., at 12 o'clock M.

Terms: Cash

S. H. MACRAE.
March 9, 1898 Commissioner.

## Administrator's Notice.

Having this day qualified as administrator on the estate of Philip H. Biggs, dec'd, the undersigned hereby gives notice to all persons having claims against the said estate to present the same duly authenticated on or before the 19th day of March, 1899, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment.

I. A. MURCHISON.
March 18, 1898. Administrator.


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| Leave Fayetteville, | 12 18 " |
| Leave Fayetteville Junction, | 12 25 " |
| Leave Sanford, | 1 48 " |
| Leave Climax | 3 47 " |
| Arrive Greensboro, | 4 20 " |
| Leave Greensboro, | 4 30 " |
| Leave Stokesdale, | 5 17 " |
| Leave Walnut Cove, | 5 47 " |
| Leave Rural Hall, | 6 15 " |
| Arrive Mt. Airy, | 7 45 " |

| SOUTH BOUND. | No. 1 Daily. |
|---|---|
| Leave Mt. Airy, | 8 40 a m |
| Leave Rural Hall, | 10 04 " |
| Leave Walnut Cove, | 10 33 " |
| Leave Stokesdale, | 11 06 " |
| Arrive Greensboro, | 11 55 " |
| Leave Greensboro, | 12 15 p m |
| Leave Climax | 12 45 " |
| Leave Sanford, | 2 36 " |
| Leave Fayetteville Junction, | 3 55 " |
| Arrive Fayetteville, | 4 00 " |
| Leave Fayetteville, | 4 10 " |
| Arrive Wilmington | 7 20 " |

| NORTH BOUND. | No. 3 Daily |
|---|---|
| Leave Bennettsville, | 8 00 a m |
| Arrive Maxton, | 9 02 " |
| Leave Maxton, | 9 07 " |
| Leave Red Springs | 9 35 " |
| Leave Hope Mills, | 10 20 " |
| Arrive Fayetteville | 10 40 " |

| SOUTH BOUND. | No. 3 Daily. |
|---|---|
| Leave Fayetteville, | 4 50 p m |
| Leave Hope Mills, | 5 07 " |
| Leave Red Springs, | 5 43 " |
| Arrive Maxton, | 6 11 " |
| Leave Maxton, | 6 15 " |
| Arrive Bennettsville, | 7 15 " |

| NORTH BOUND. | No. 15. Mixed. Daily Except Sunday. |
|---|---|
| Leave Ramseur, | 9 40 a m |
| Leave Climax, | 9 30 " |
| Arrive Greensboro, | 9 17 " |
| Leave Greensboro, | 9 35 " |
| Leave Stokesdale, | 11 07 " |
| Arrive Madison, | 11 55 " |

| SOUTH BOUND. | No. 15. Mixed. Daily Except Sunday. |
|---|---|
| Leave Madison, | 12 35 p m |
| Leave Stokesdale, | 1 25 " |
| Arrive Greensboro, | 2 45 " |
| Leave Greensboro, | 3 15 " |
| Leave Climax, | 4 25 " |
| Arrive Ramseur, | 6 10 " |

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| | No 23. Daily. | No 35. Daily. | No. 103 Ex Sunday | No 41. Daily. | No 49. Daily. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | A. M. | P. M. | P. M. | A. M. | P. M. |
| Le ve Weldon | 11 52 | 9 43 | | | |
| Ar Rocky Mt. | 12 55 | 10 36 | | | |
| Le ve Tarboro | 12 12 | | 6 01 | | |
| Lv Rocky Mt. | 1 00 | 10 36 | | 9 45 | 5 40 12 47 |
| Leave Wilson | 2 20 | 11 16 | | 7 17 | 6 22 2 27 |
| Leave Selma | 3 15 | ..... | | | |
| Lv Fayetteville | 4 47 | 1 14 | | | |
| Ar Florence | 7 35 | 3 15 | | | |
| | P. M. | A. M. | | | |
| Ar Goldsboro | ..... | ..... | 8 00 | ..... | ..... |
| Lv Goldsboro | ..... | ..... | | 7 01 | 3 30 |
| Lv Magnolia | ..... | ..... | | 8 05 | 4 34 |
| Ar Wilmington | ..... | ..... | | 9 30 | 5 50 |
| | | | | P. M. | A. M. P. M |

TRAINS GOING NORTH.

| | No 78 Daily | No. 186, Dly ex. Sunday. | No 36. Daily | No 40 Daily. | No 48. Daily. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | A. M. | | P. M. | | |
| Lv Florence | 9 48 | | 8 15 | | |
| Lv Fayetteville | 12 13 | | 10 15 | | |
| Leave Selma | 1 47 | | | | |
| Arrive Wilson | 2 35 | | 12 09 | | |
| | A. M. | | P. M. | A. M. | |
| Lv Wilmington | | | 7 15 | 9 35 | |
| Lv Magnolia | | | 8 55 | 11 02 | |
| Lv Goldsboro | | 5 00 | 10 10 | 12 05 | |
| | P. M. | | A. M. | P. M. | A. M. |
| Leave Wilson | 3 33 | 5 38 | 12 12 | 11 20 | 12 55 |
| Ar Rocky Mt. | 3 29 | 6 15 | 12 49 | 11 57 | 1 40 |
| Ar Tarboro | | 6 45 | | | |
| Leave Tarboro | 12 12 | | | | |
| Lv Rocky Mt. | 3 29 | | 12 49 | | |
| Arrive Weldon | 4 33 | | 1 42 | | |
| | P. M. | | A. M | P. M. | |

‡Daily except Monday. ‡Daily except Sunday.

Train on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leaves Weldon 3:55 P M, Halifax 4:30 P M, arrives Scotland Neck at 5:20 P M, Greenville 6:57 P M., Kinston 7:55 P M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7:50 A M., Greenville 8:52 A M. Arriving Halifax at 11:18 A M, Weldon 11.33 A M, daily except Sunday

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8:20 A. M., and 2:30 P. M., arrive Parmele 9:10 A. M., and 4:00 P. M., returning leave Parmele 9:35 A. M. and 6:30 P. M., arrive Washington 11:00 A. M., and 7:20 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N C, daily except Sunday at 5:30 P M, Sunday, 4:15 P M, arrives Plymouth 7:40 P M, 6:10 P M; Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7:50 A M., and Sunday 9:00 A M, arrives Tarboro 10:05 A M., 11:00 A M.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro daily except Sunday, 7:10 A M, arriving Smithfield 8:30 A M. Returning, leaves Smithfield 9:00 A. M; arrive Goldsboro 10:25 A M.

Trains on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4:30 P M, arrives Nashville 5:05 P M, Spring Hope 5:30 P M. Returning leaves Spring Hope 8:0 A M, Nashville 8:35 A M, arrives Rocky Mount 9:05 A M, daily, except Sunday.

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